

# CSE 559A: Computer Vision



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## What is Computer Vision ?

Endow machines with the ability to make *sense*  
of the physical world by looking at  
images and videos

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of the physical world by looking at  
*measurements of reflected light*

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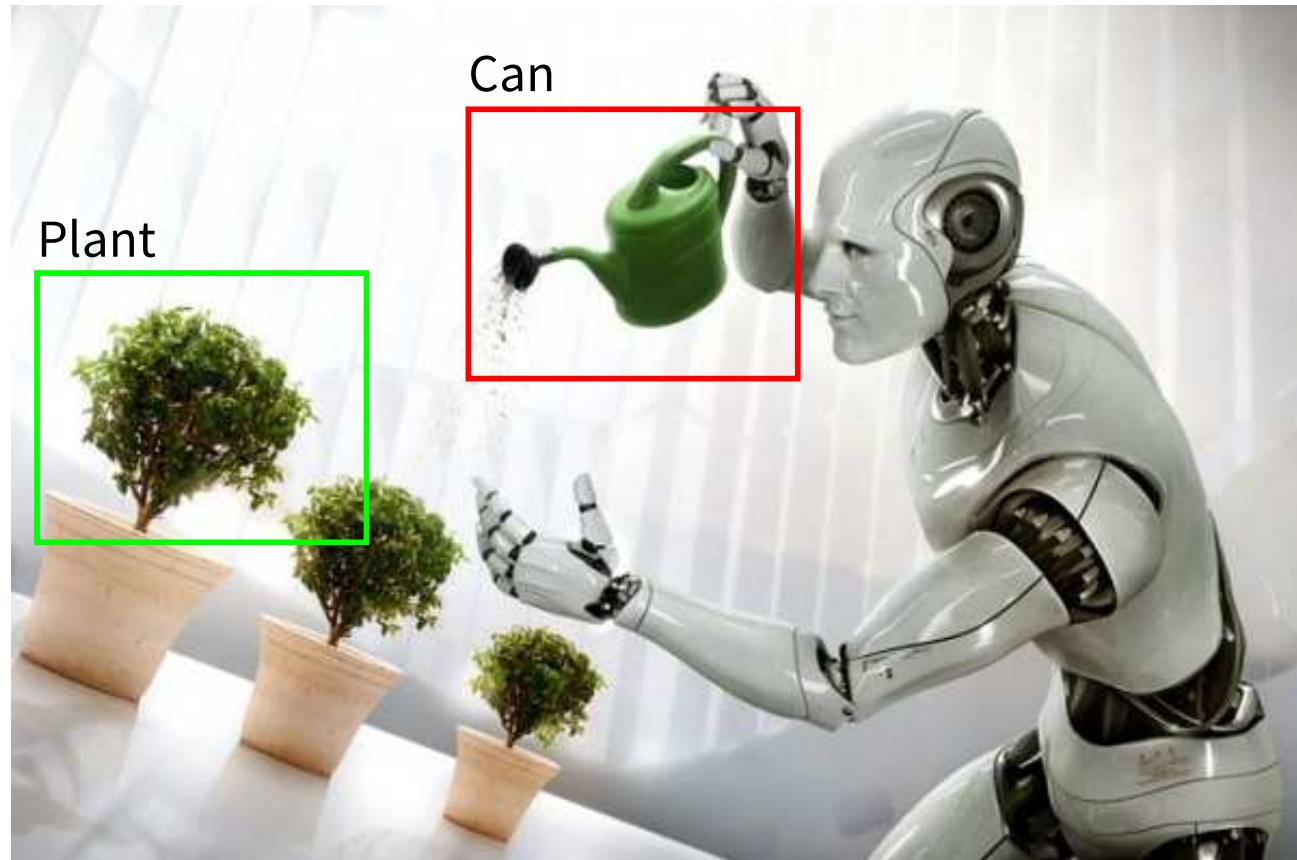
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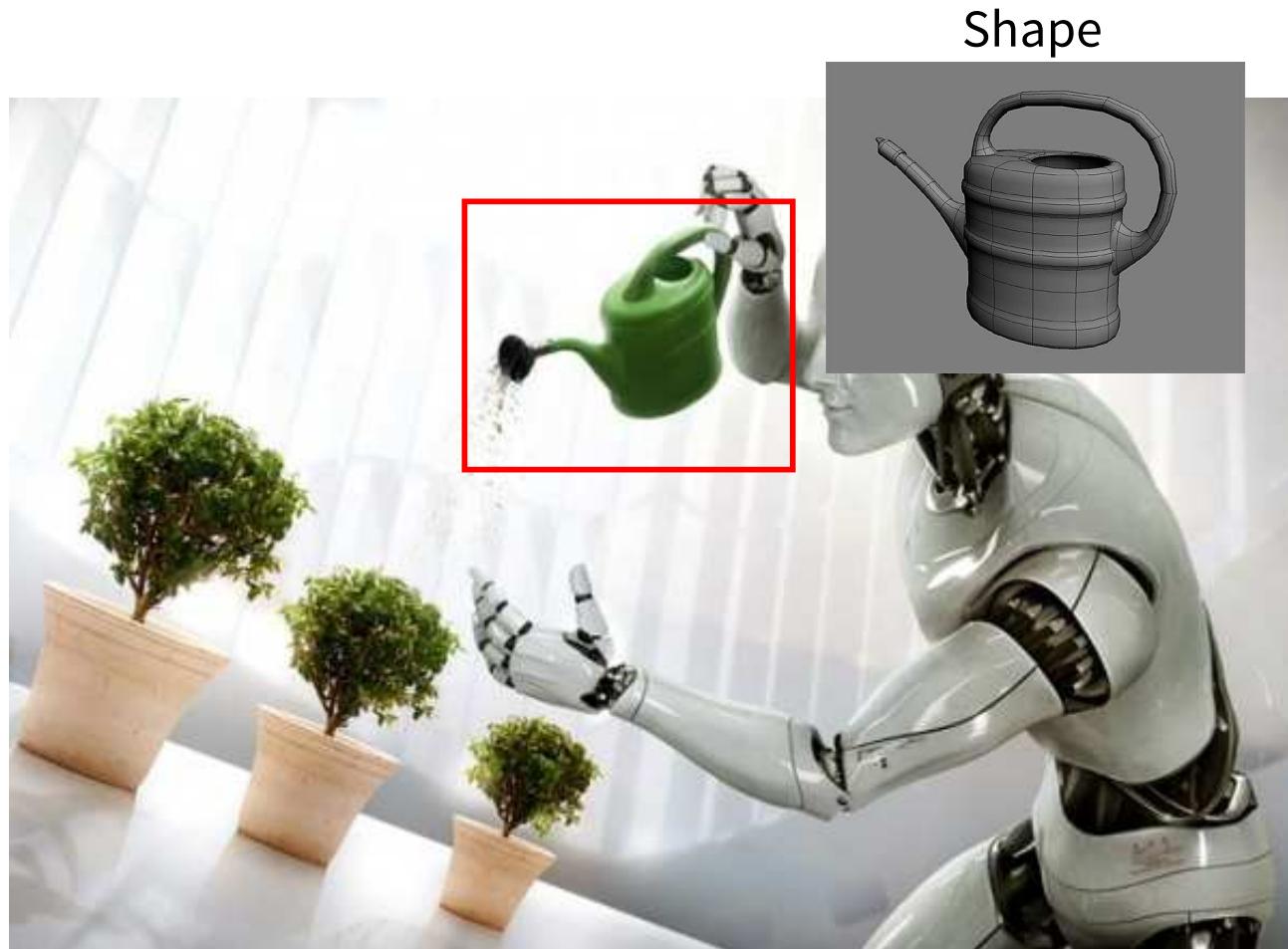
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Recognize Objects

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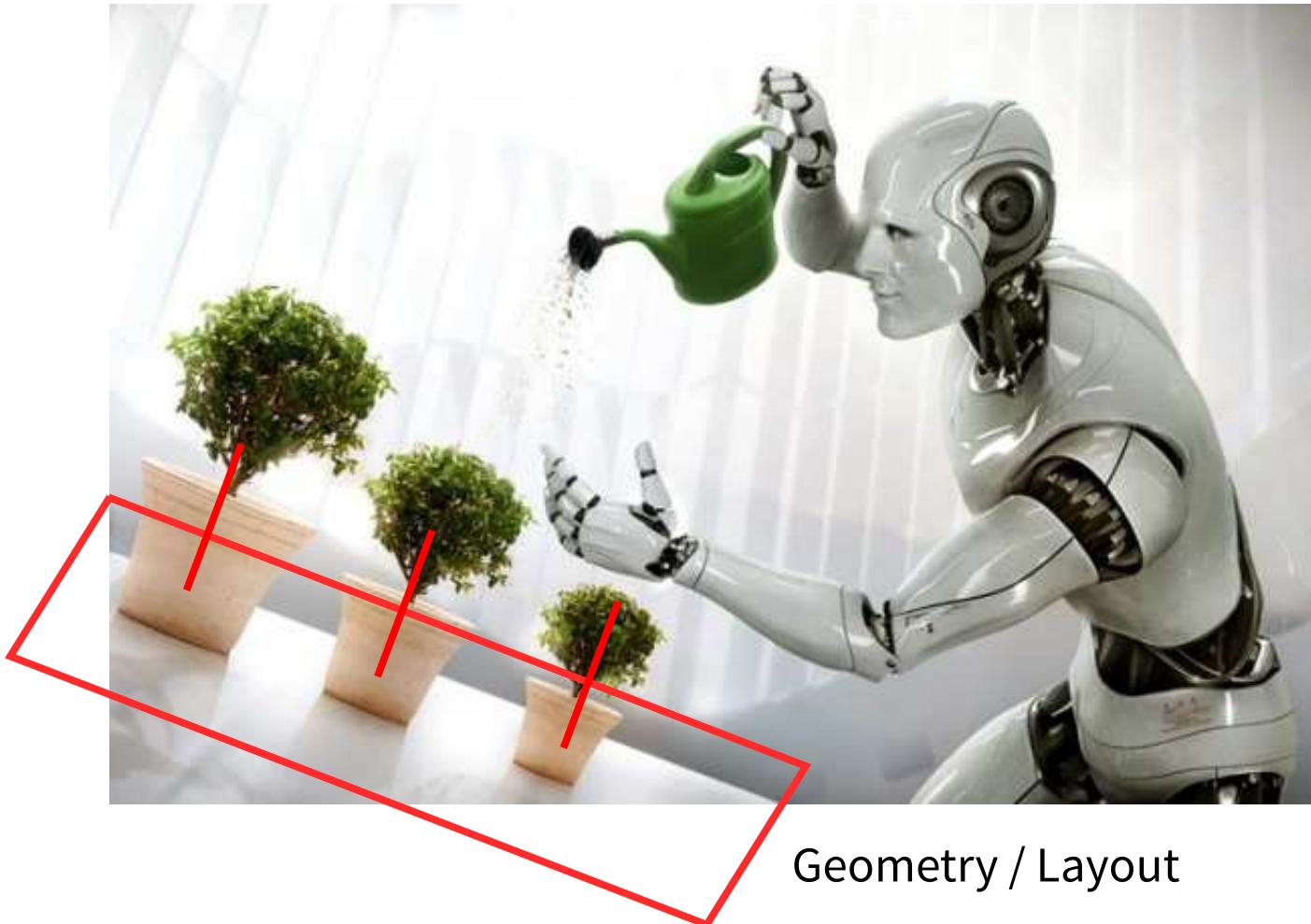
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Classify Scene

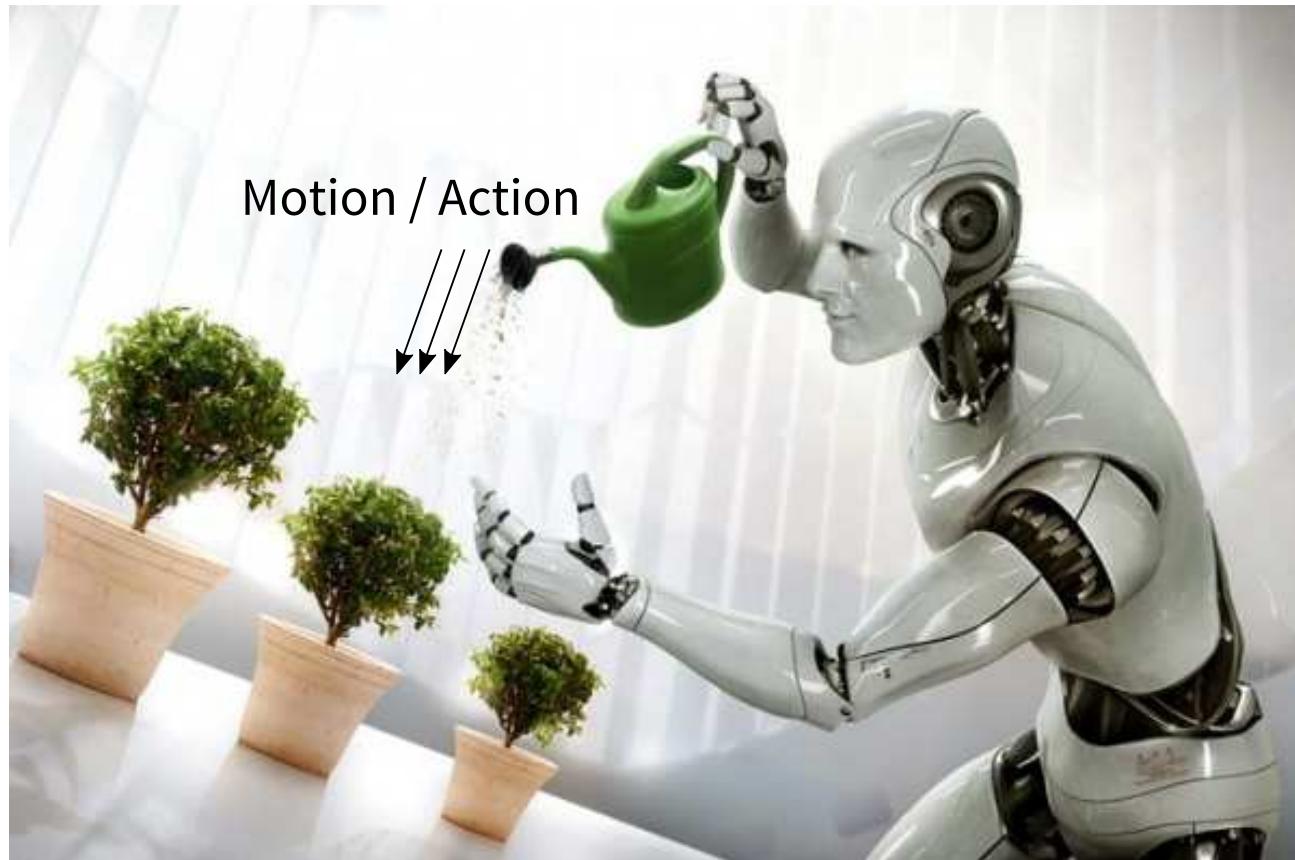
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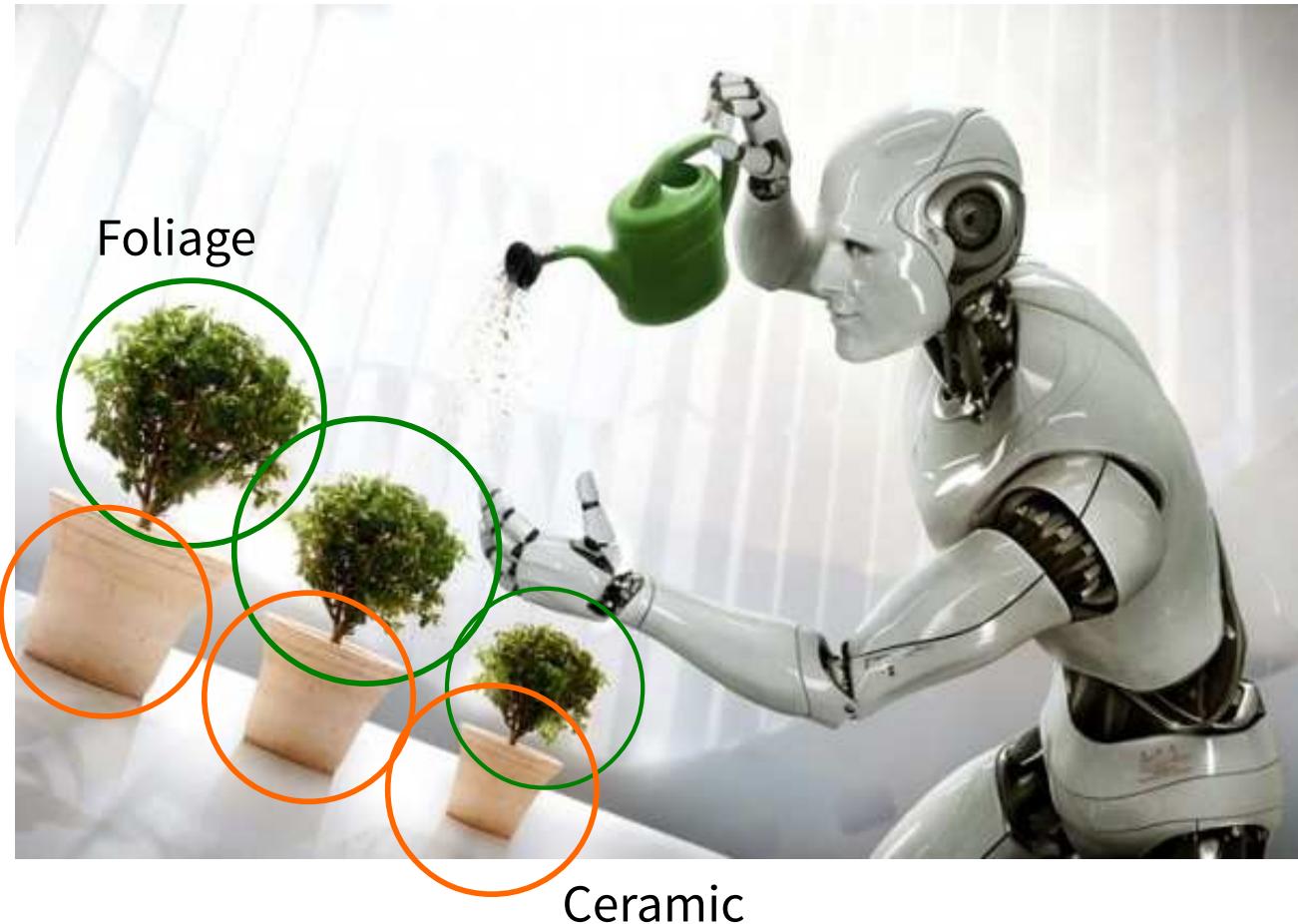
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## Identify Materials



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## Surface Properties



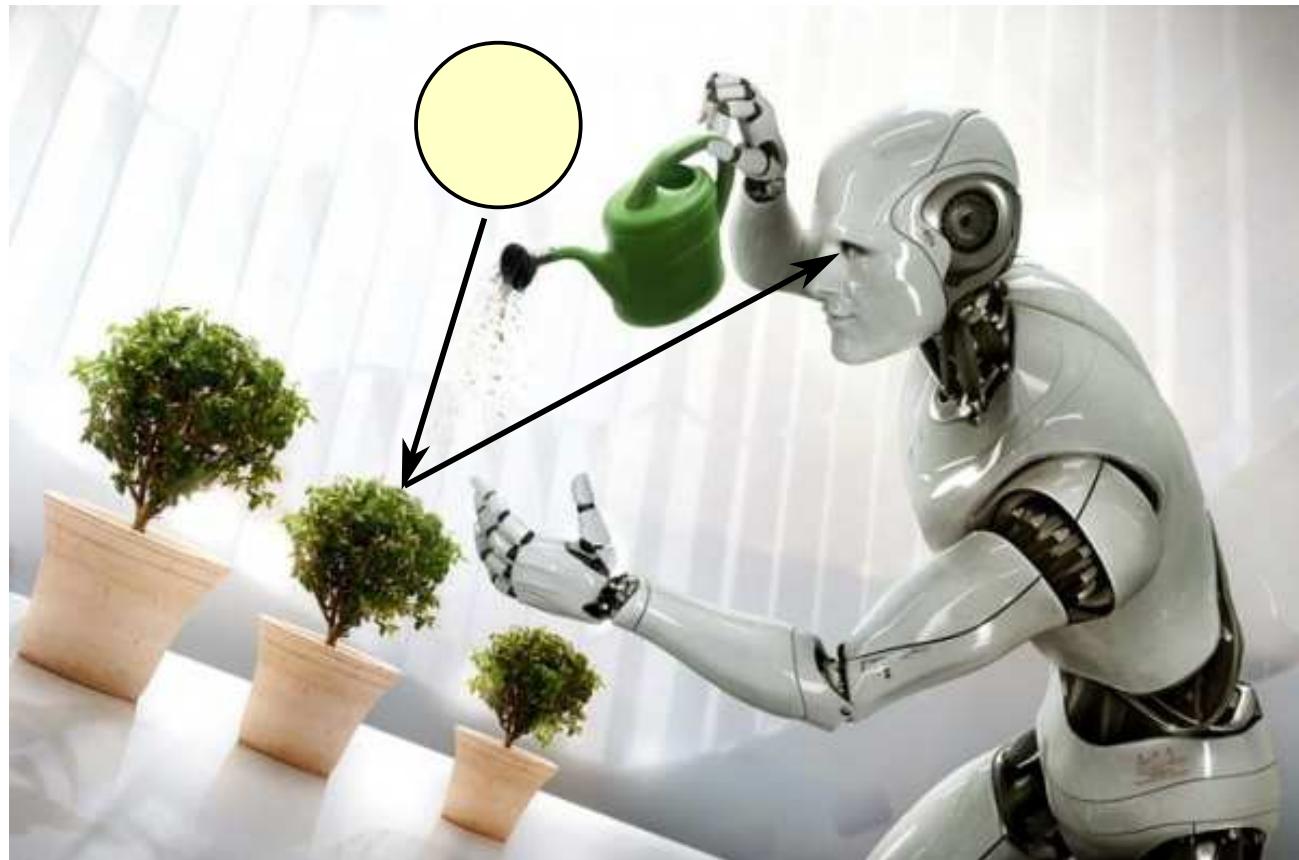
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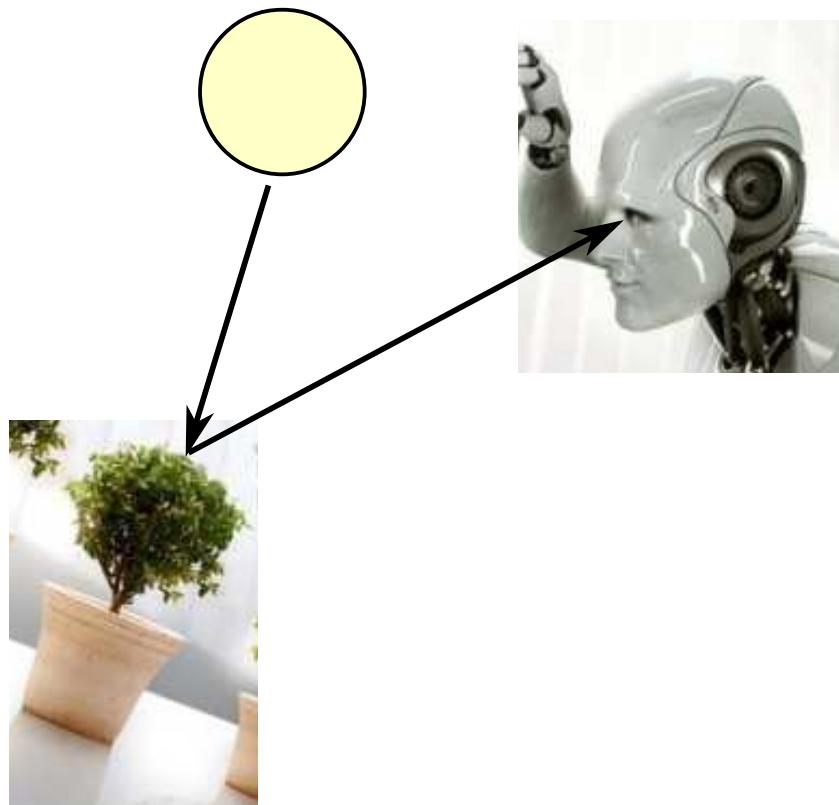
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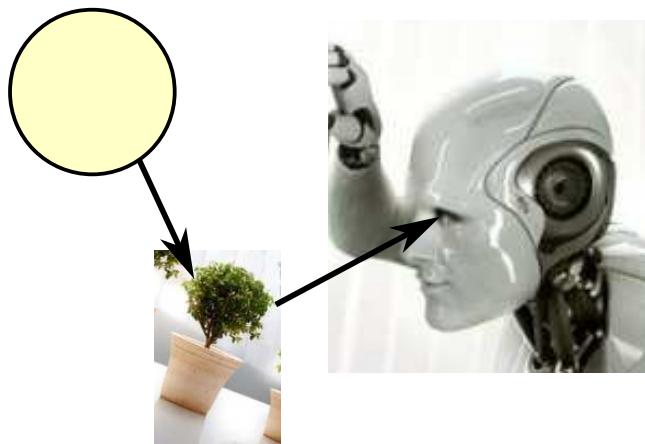
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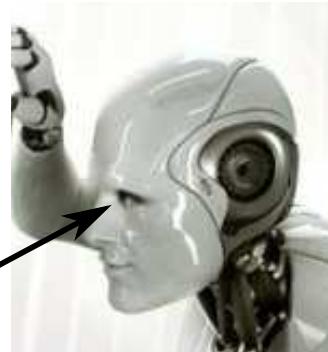
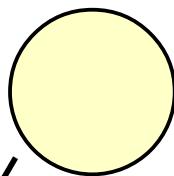
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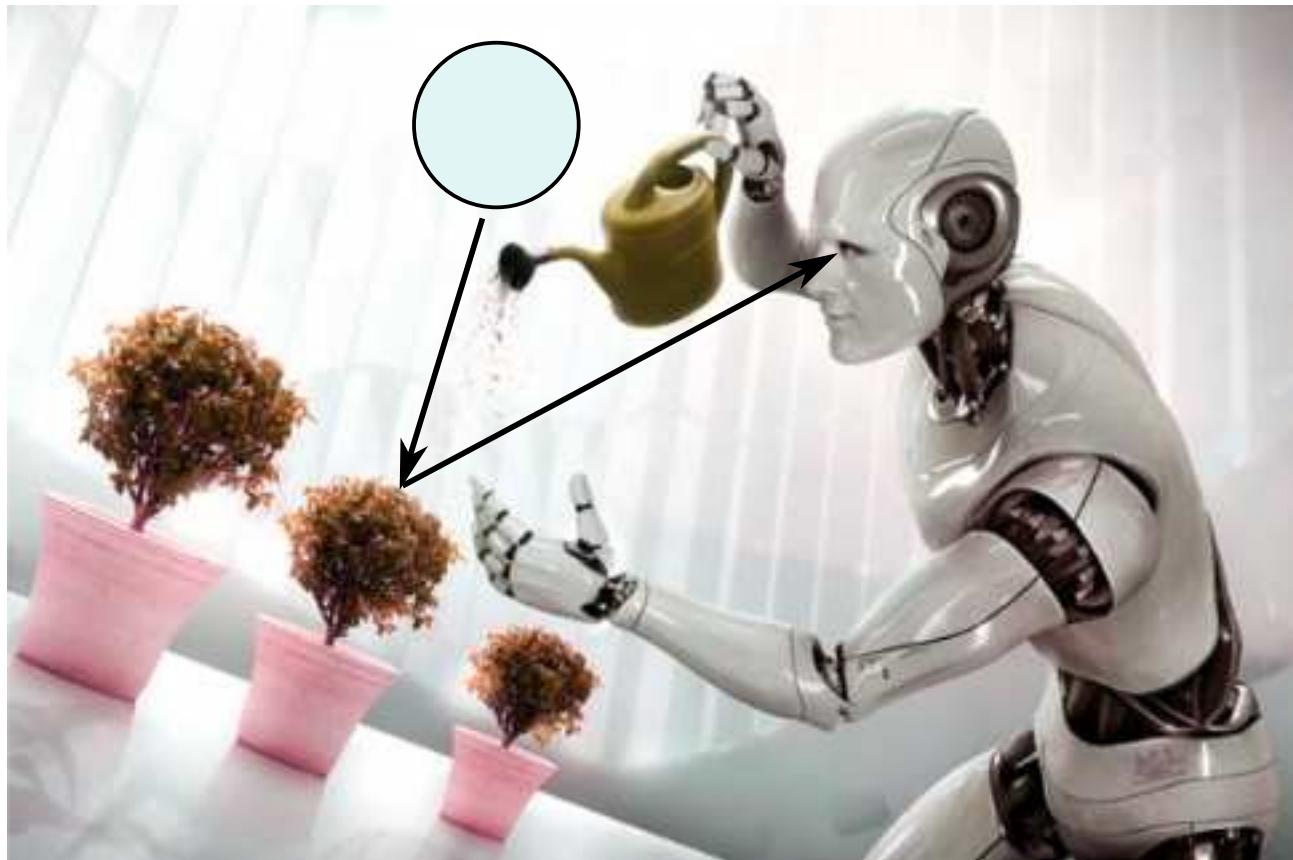
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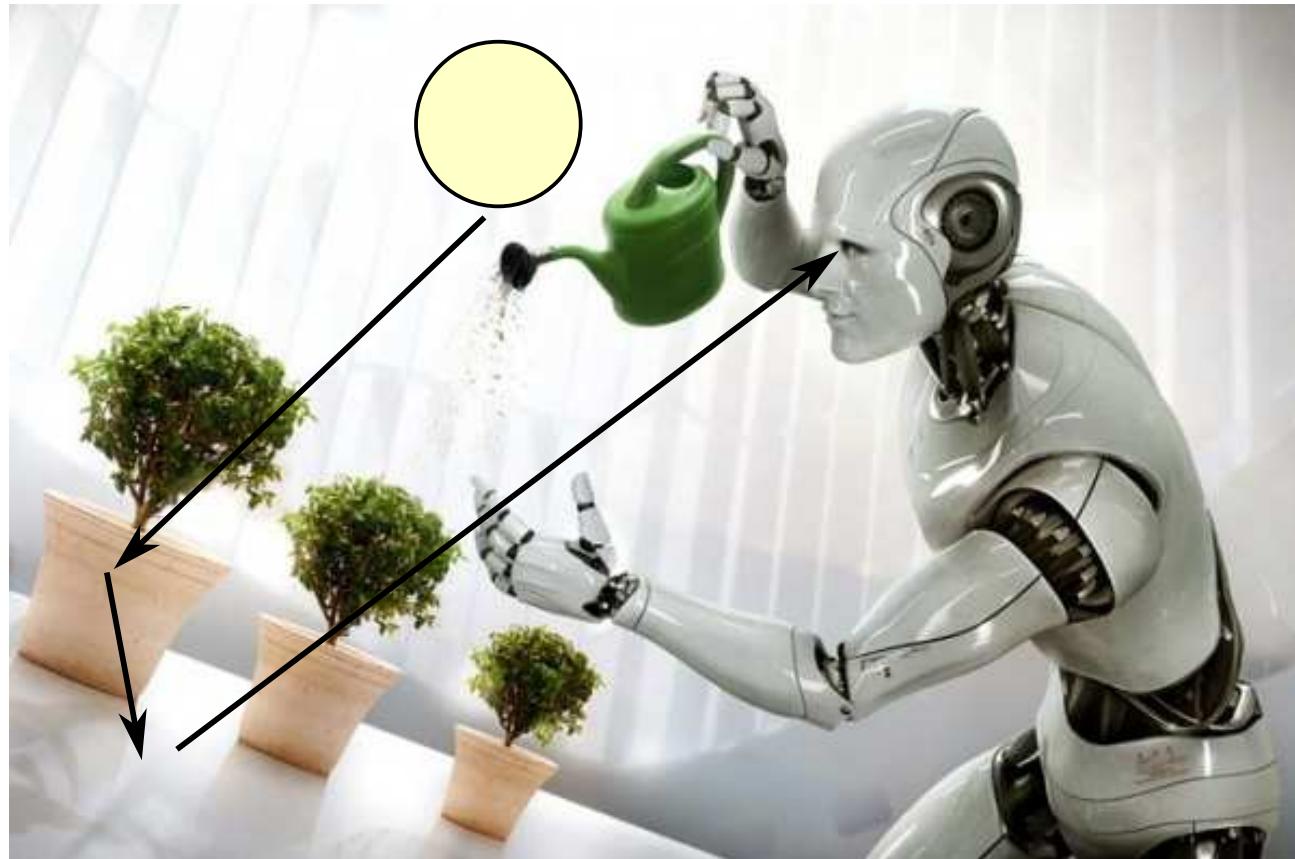
Illuminant / Surface Color Ambiguity



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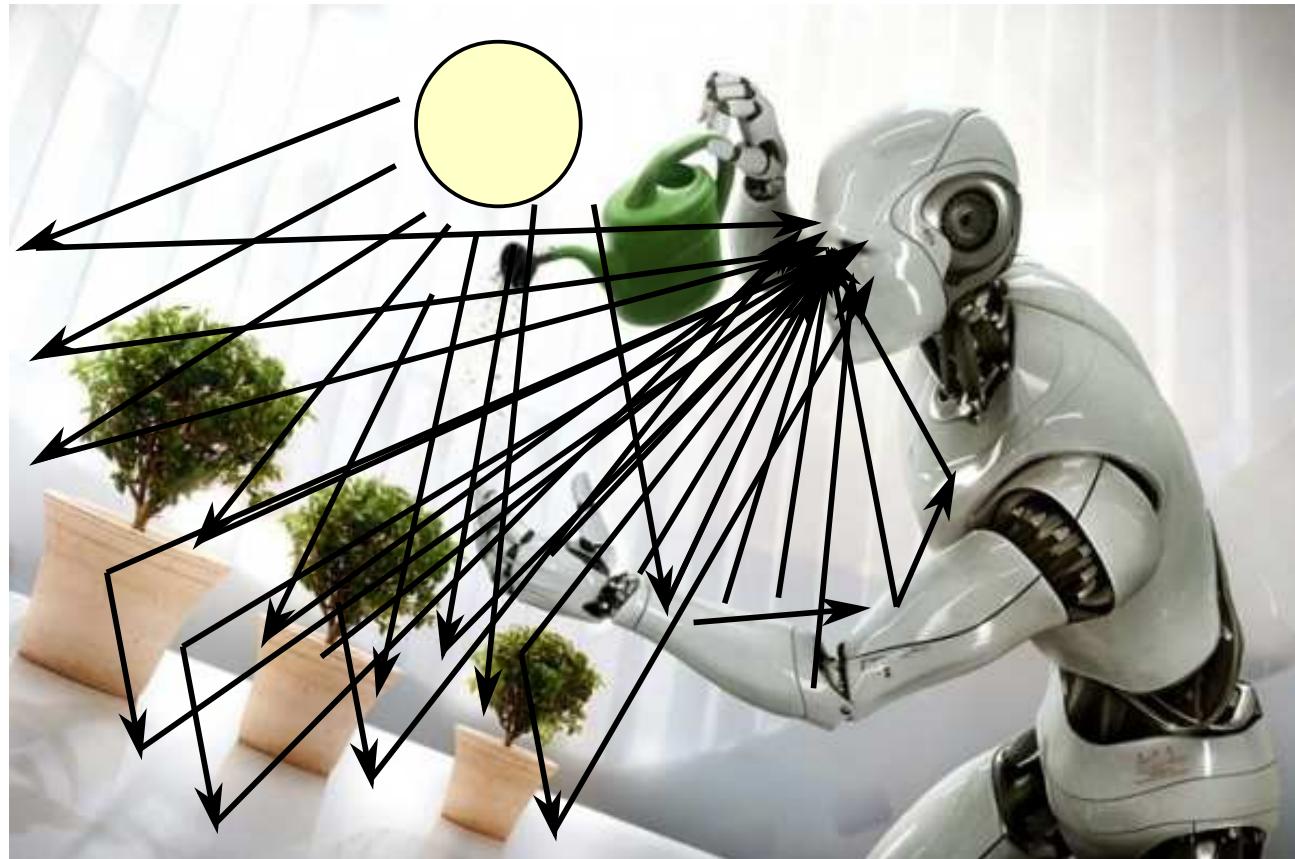
Indirect Reflection



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Observe Super-position of Multiple Paths



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Variation in Appearance



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make sense of the physical world

from measurements of reflected light



Seems hopeless .... except that  
humans, animals, birds, insects are able to do it

# SO HOW DOES IT WORK ?

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By making assumptions about and exploiting structure in the natural world

# SO HOW DOES IT WORK ?

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## BROAD OVERVIEW OF (MANY A) VISION ALGORITHM

- Build physical model for mapping from scene to image:  $I = \mathbf{f}(S)$
- Learn a statistical model  $p(S)$  for what scene values are likely.
- Given an image, consider the *feasible* set of scenes:  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}(I) = \{S : I = f(S)\}$
- Choose the most likely answer from the feasible set:  $\hat{S} = \arg \max_{S \in \mathcal{F}^{-1}(I)} p(S)$

# ILLUSIONS

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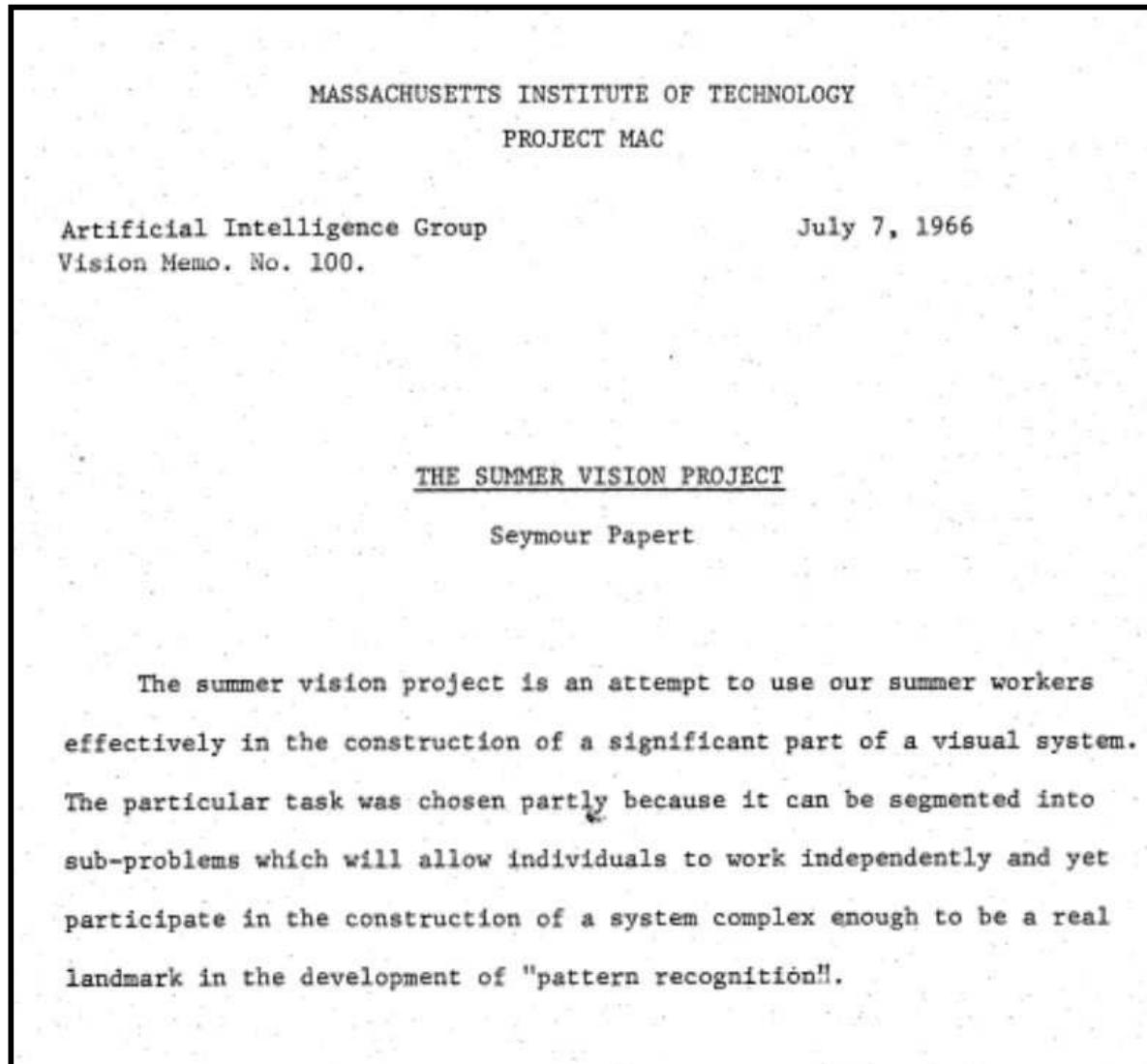
Deliberate / Artistic



Natural (rare!)

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**Attempt 1:**  
Let's finish this over  
the summer.

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"Simple"  
Pattern Recognition



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Face Detection  
in Cameras

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## The Smile Shutter flow

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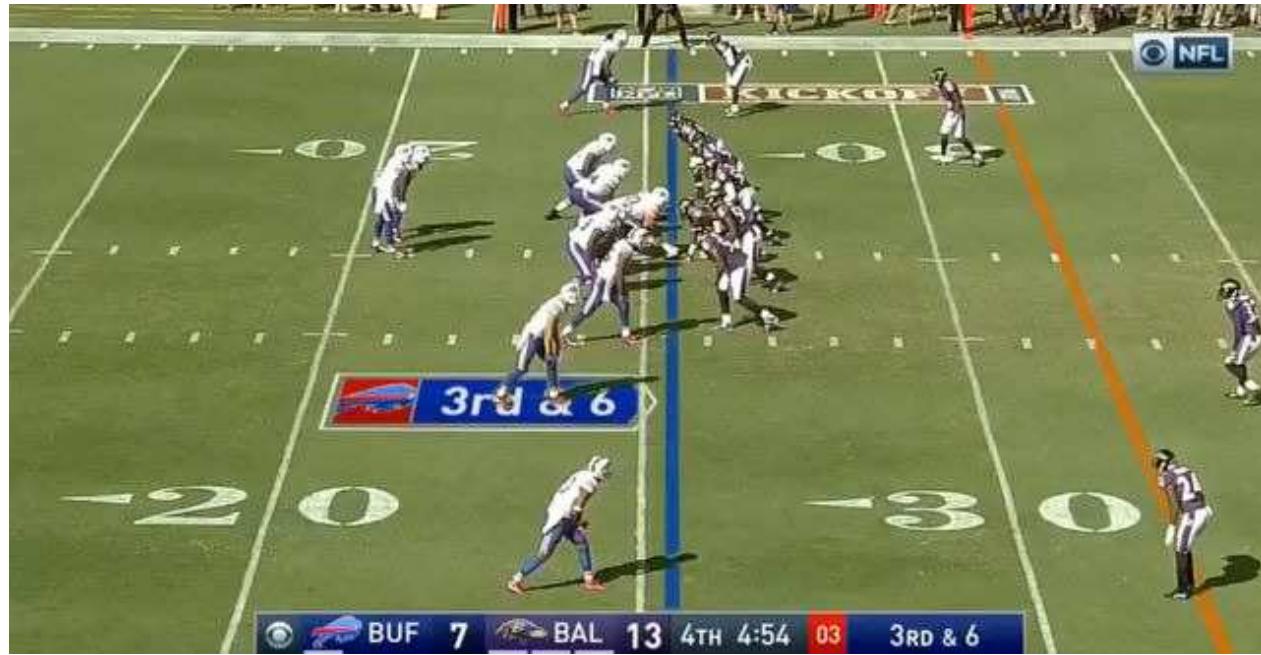
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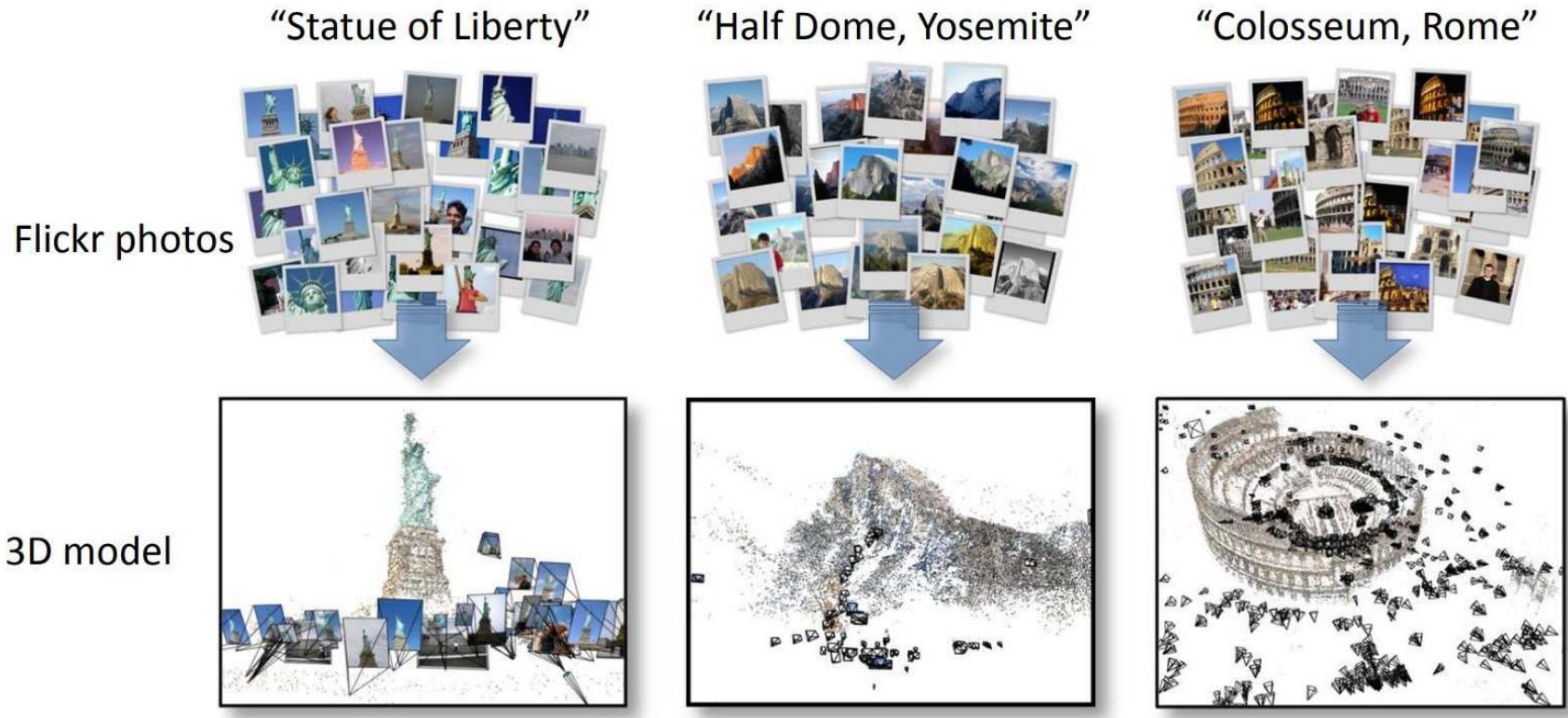
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Elementary  
Augmented Reality

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3D model

Noah Snavely, Sameer Agarwal, Ian Simon, Steve Seitz,  
Richard Szeliski, Yasutaka Furukawa, Brian Curless

Slide via Noah Snavely

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## Face2Face: Real-time Face Capture and Reenactment of RGB Videos

Justus Thies<sup>1</sup>

Michael Zollhöfer<sup>2</sup>

Marc Stamminger<sup>1</sup>

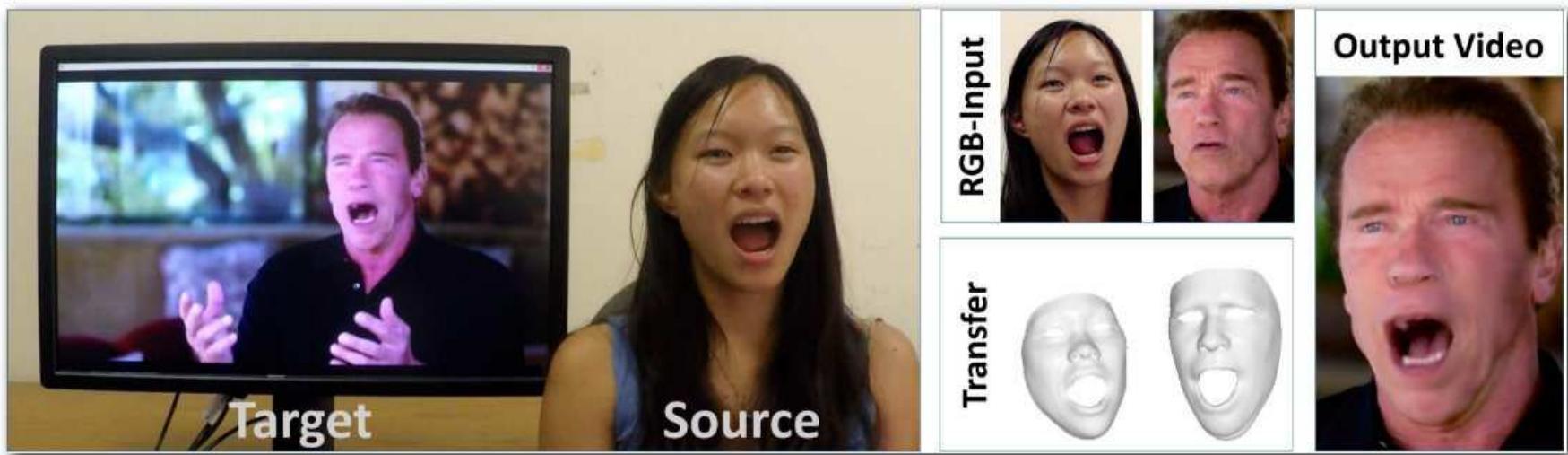
Christian Theobalt<sup>2</sup>

Matthias Nießner<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

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<sup>3</sup> Stanford University



Proc. Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), IEEE, June 2016

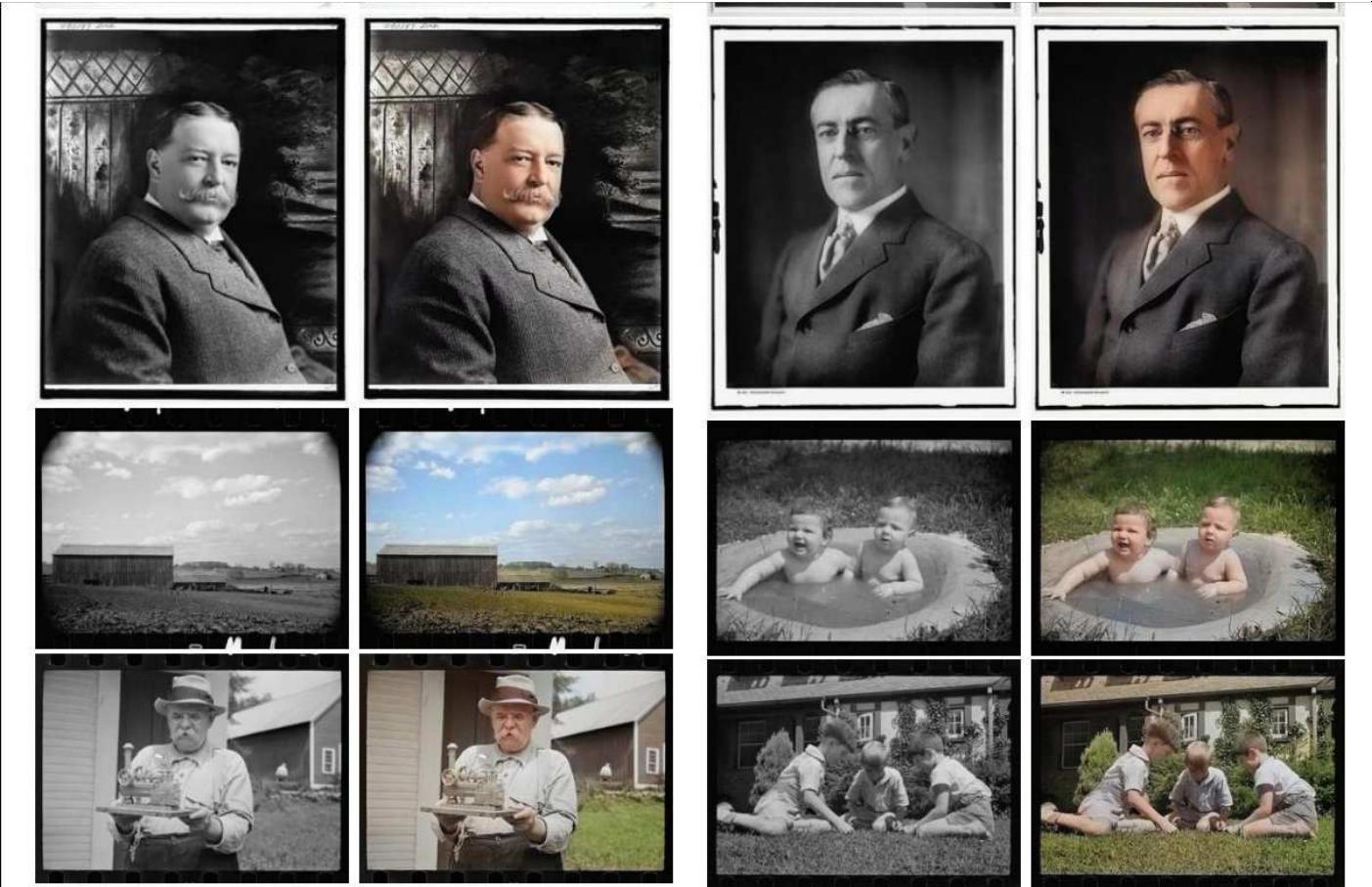
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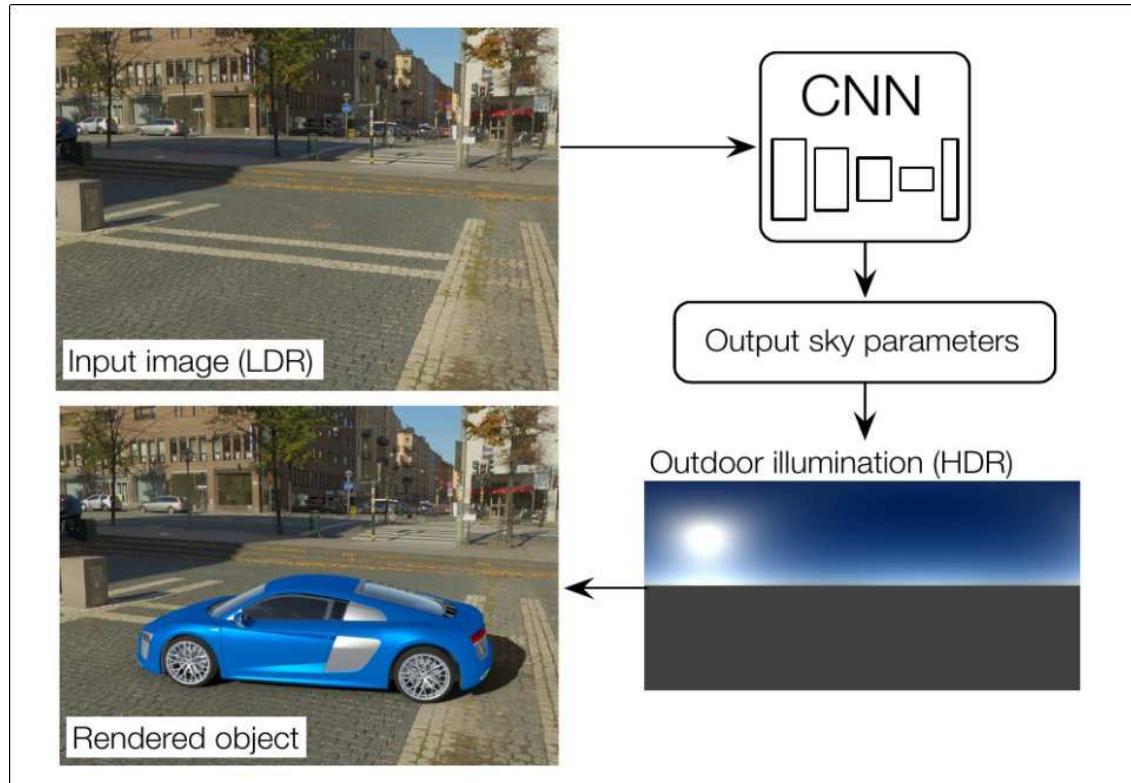
## Learning Representations for Automatic Colorization

Gustav Larsson Michael Maire Gregory Shakhnarovich

ECCV 2016



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Paper

Yannick Hold-Geoffroy, Kalyan Sunkavalli, Sunil Hadap, Emiliano Gambaretto and Jean-François Lalonde  
Deep Outdoor Illumination Estimation  
IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2017.  
[arXiv pre-print] [BibTeX]



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## Scanning and Printing a 3D Portrait of President Barack Obama

*Smithsonian Digitization Program Office and USC Institute for Creative Technologies*



From Paul Debevec and Colleagues

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## Image-to-Image Translation with Conditional Adversarial Nets

Phillip Isola

Jun-Yan Zhu

Tinghui Zhou

Alexei A. Efros

University of California, Berkeley  
In CVPR 2017

Day to Night



input



output

Edges to Photo



input



output

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TECHNOLOGY

The New York Times

## *For Now, Self-Driving Cars Still Need Humans*

By JOHN MARKOFF JAN. 17, 2016



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## SYLLABUS OVERVIEW

- Image formation, representation, and processing
- Low level vision
  - Photometric
  - Geometric
  - Motion
- Segmentation & Grouping
- High Level Vision (reasons with "semantic" knowledge)
  - Using deep convolutional neural networks

Slides will be posted on course website after class

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## PREREQUISITES

- Programming: problem sets will be in Python.
- Math: Linear Algebra, Vector Calculus, Probability and Statistics.
- Also helpful: Prior coursework on machine learning, signal processing, graphics.

**Please fill out survey on course website (also sent to you by e-mail) ASAP**

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- **5 Problem Sets**

- Math (answers to be typeset in LaTeX) and Programming (in Python)
- $15\% \times 5 = 75\%$  of your grade
- To be done individually
- Roughly every two weeks (see website)
- **READ** collaboration and late policy

- **Final Project**

- To be done individually
- Open ended, mini research/implementation project
- Choose topic (will post suggestions), submit brief proposal, and get feedback from us
- End of Term: Report + 5 min presentation = 25% of your grade

**NO EXAMS**

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- Extra Credit: Class Participation = 5%
- Sign up for Piazza !
  - Ask questions on piazza: more efficient than e-mail, can also be anonymous
  - Answer others' questions (subject to collaboration policy): counts towards credit
- Office Hours
  - Prof. Chakrabarti: Wed 9:30am-10:30am, Jolley Hall @ 205
  - TAs: TBD (will post poll on Piazza)
  - Do come and ask questions sooner rather than later
  - No participation credit for office hours

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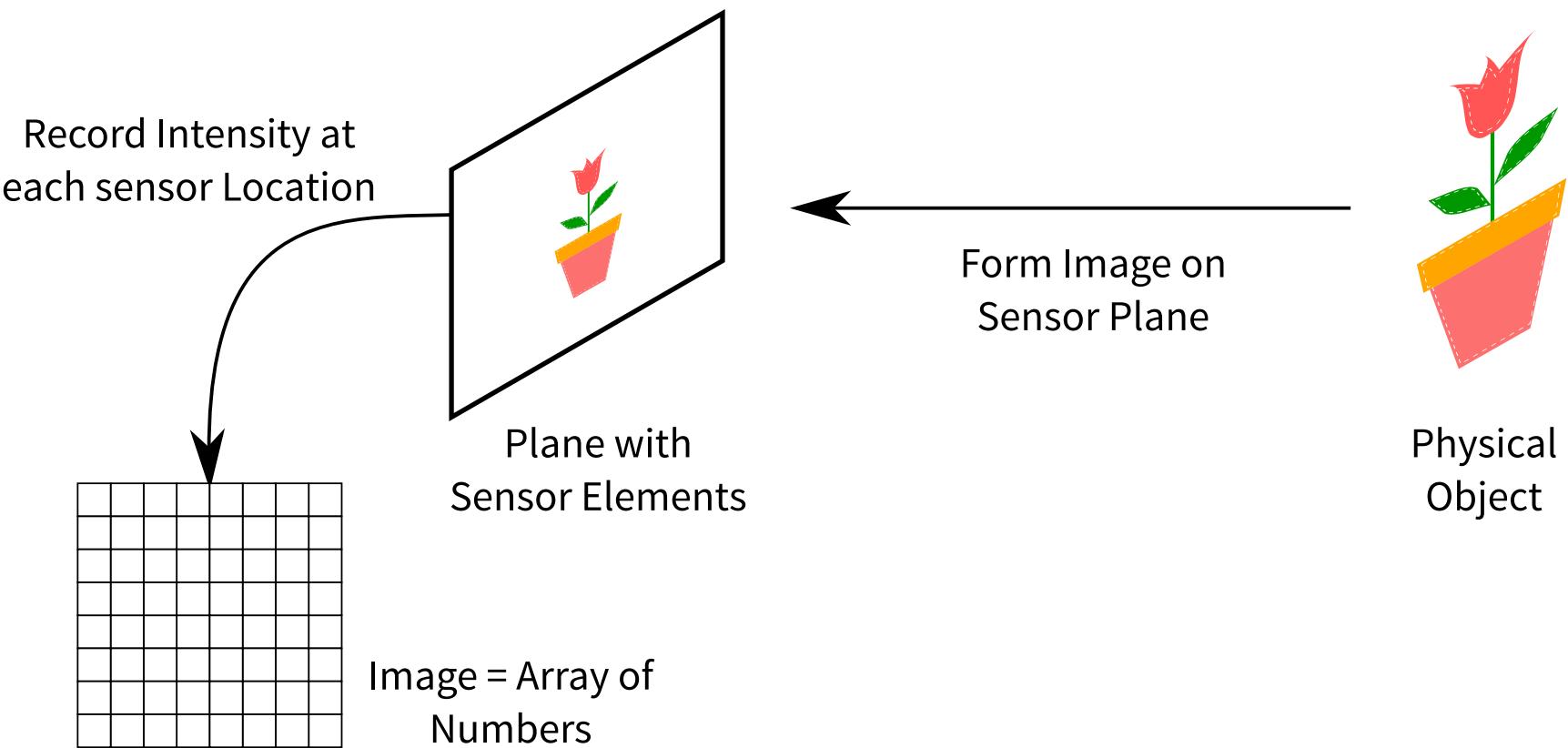
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Questions ?

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- Join Piazza
- Fill out survey

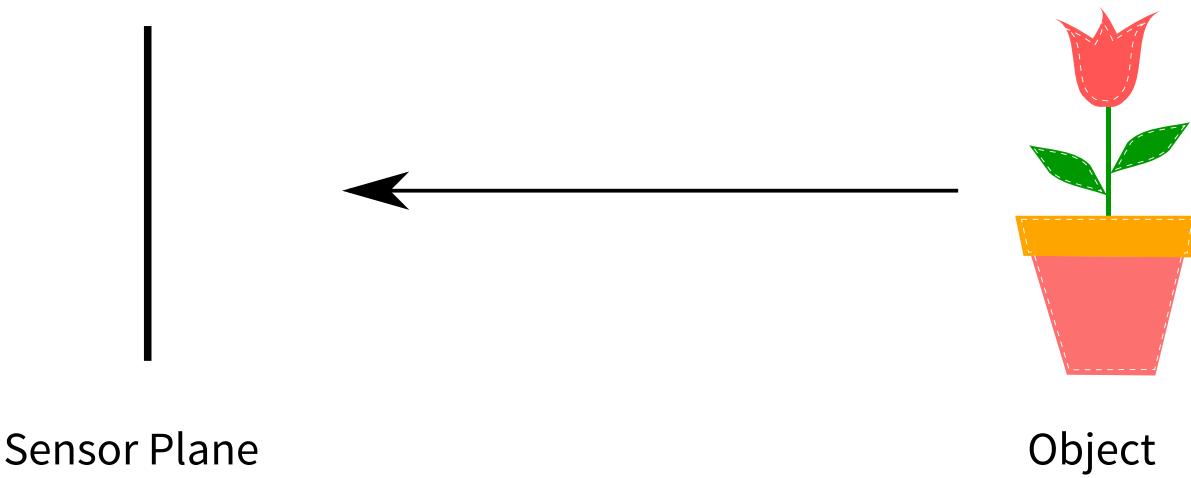
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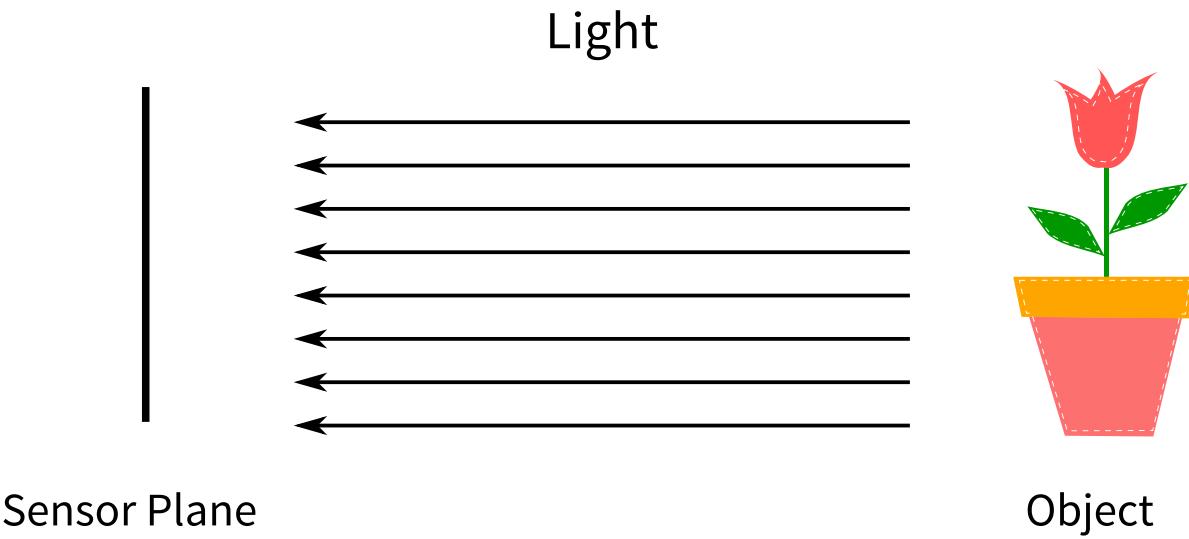
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1D for simplicity

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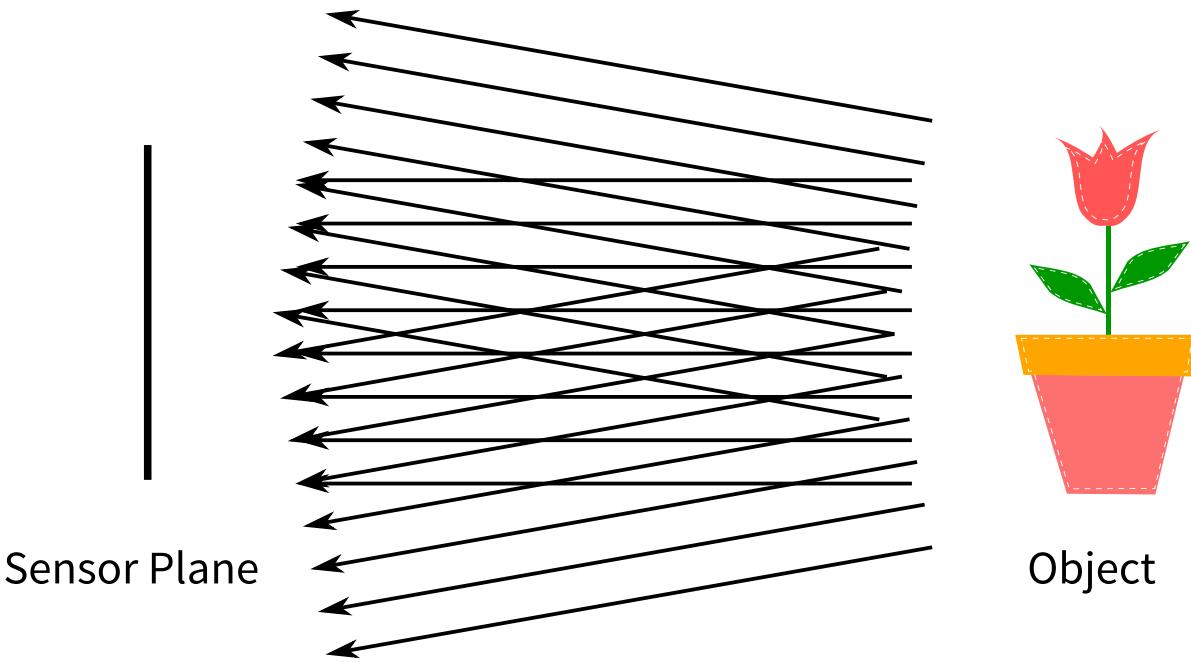
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Why can't we get an image to form by just holding the sensor in front of the object ?

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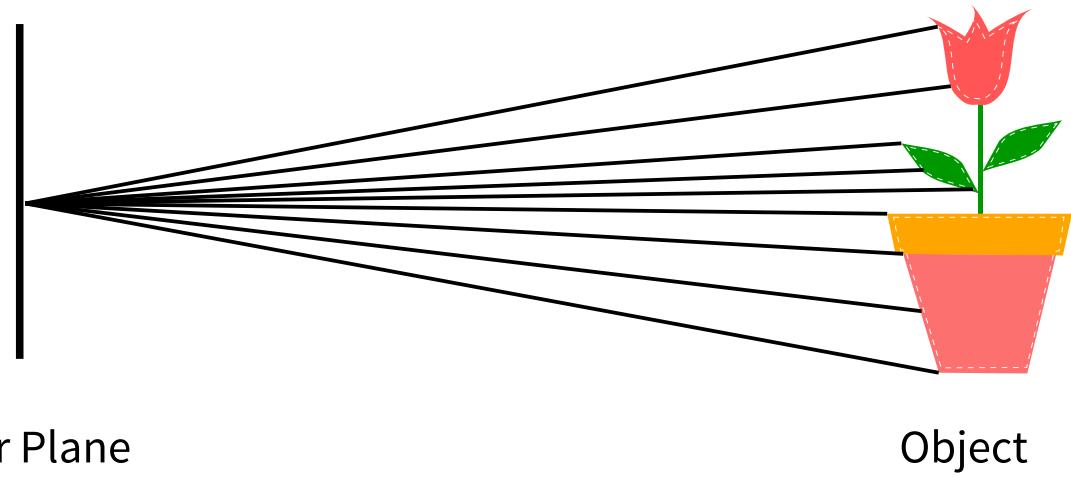
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Because the object isn't just reflecting in straight lines!

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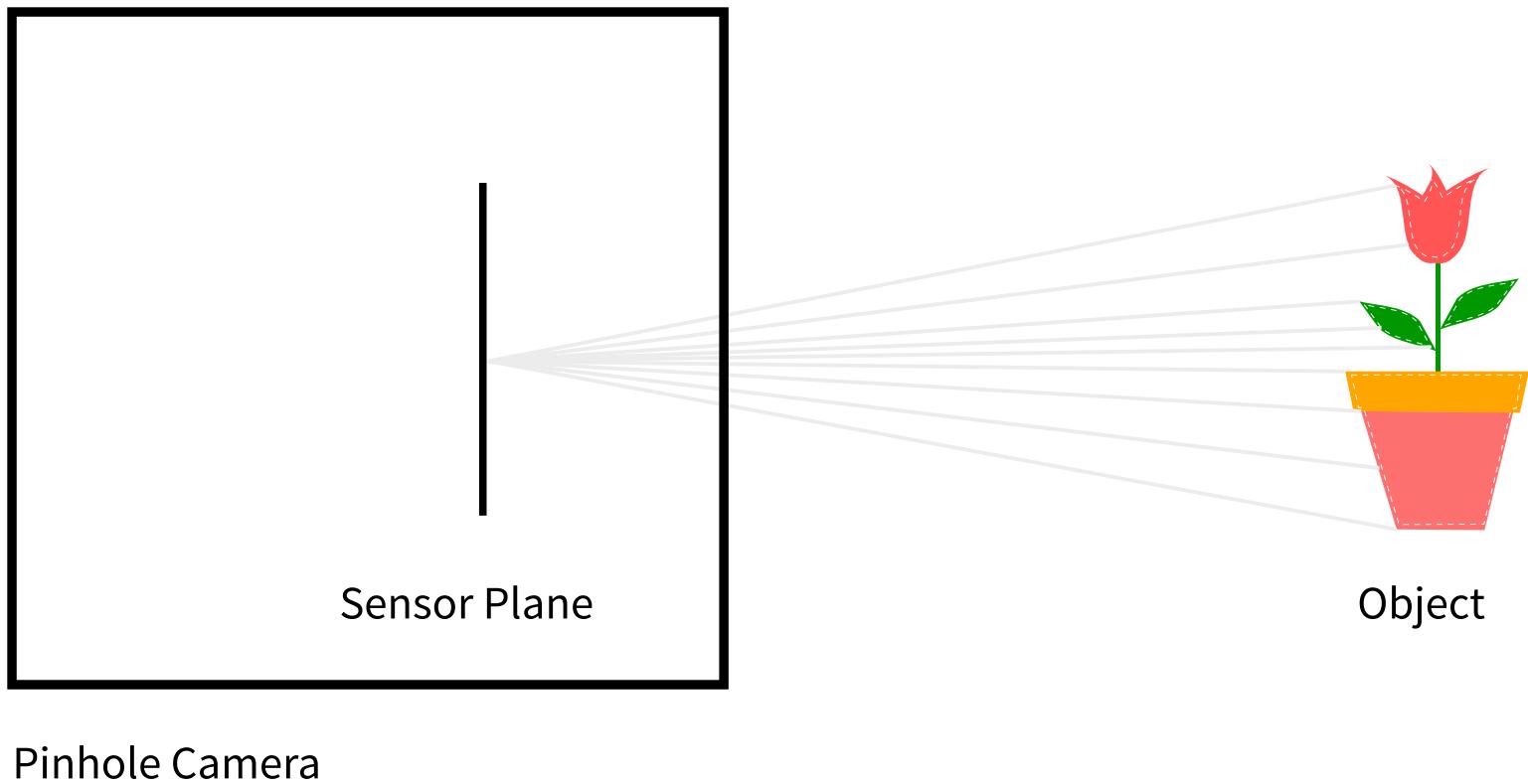
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A point on sensor plane receives light from many distinct points on the object.  
No image since intensities "washed out".

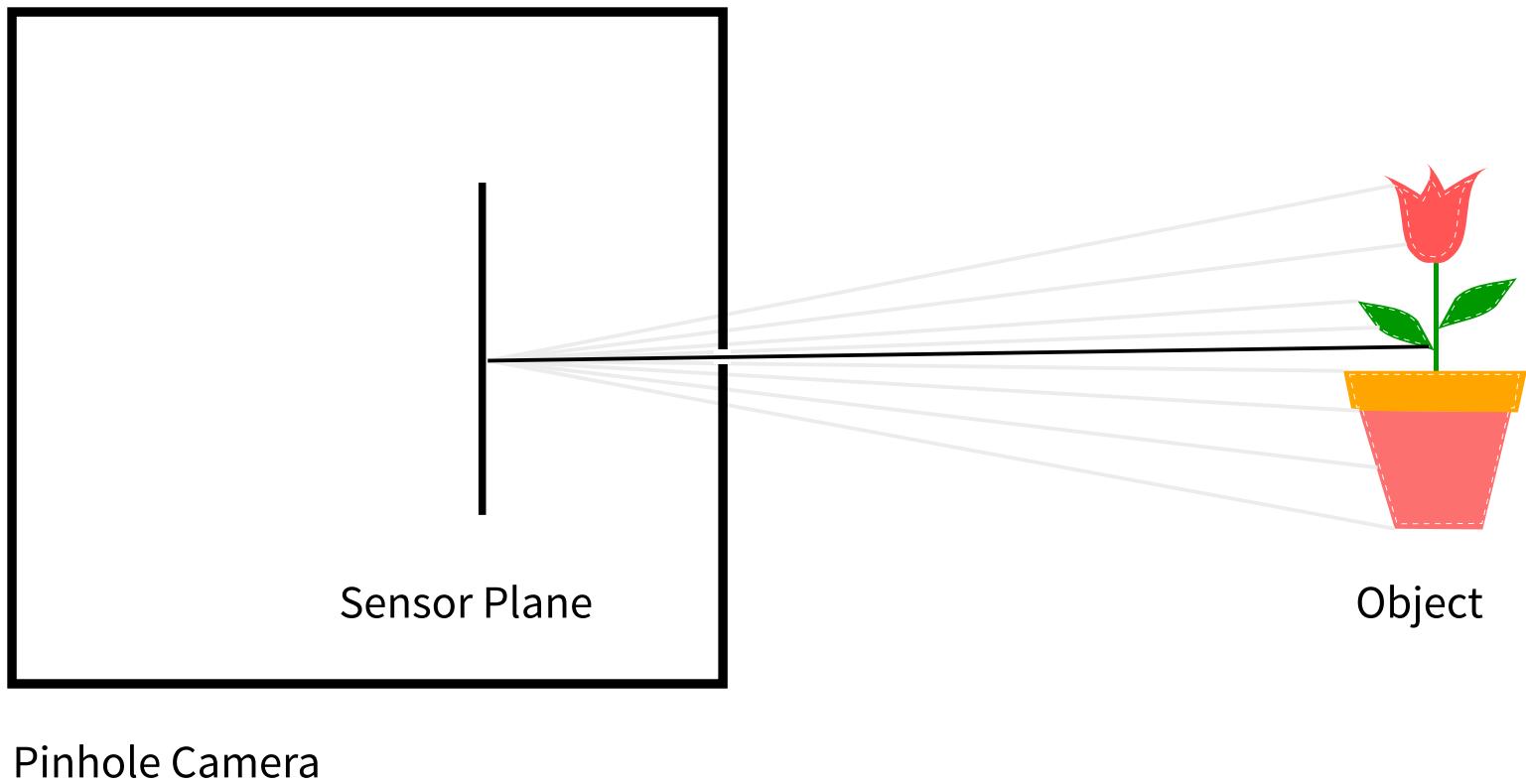
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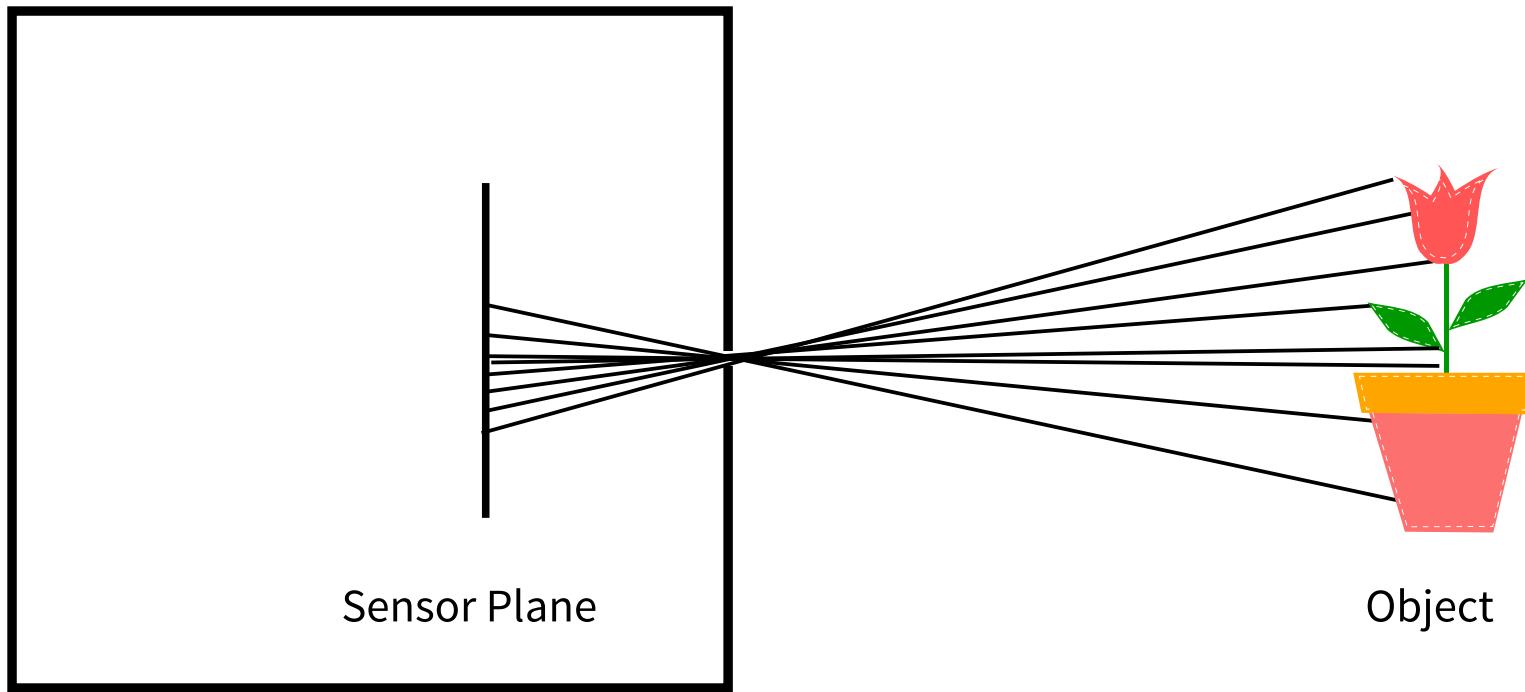
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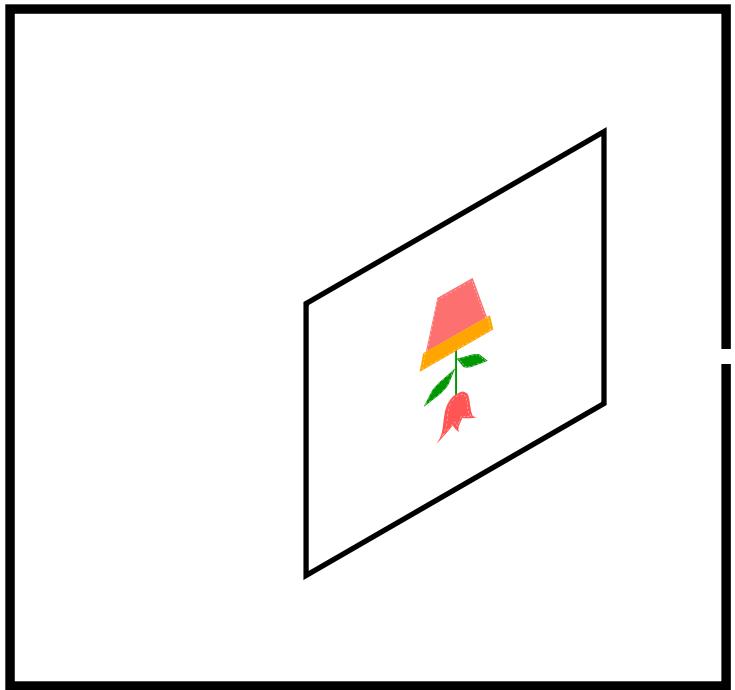


Pinhole Camera

Every point on the sensor plane corresponds to a unique ray

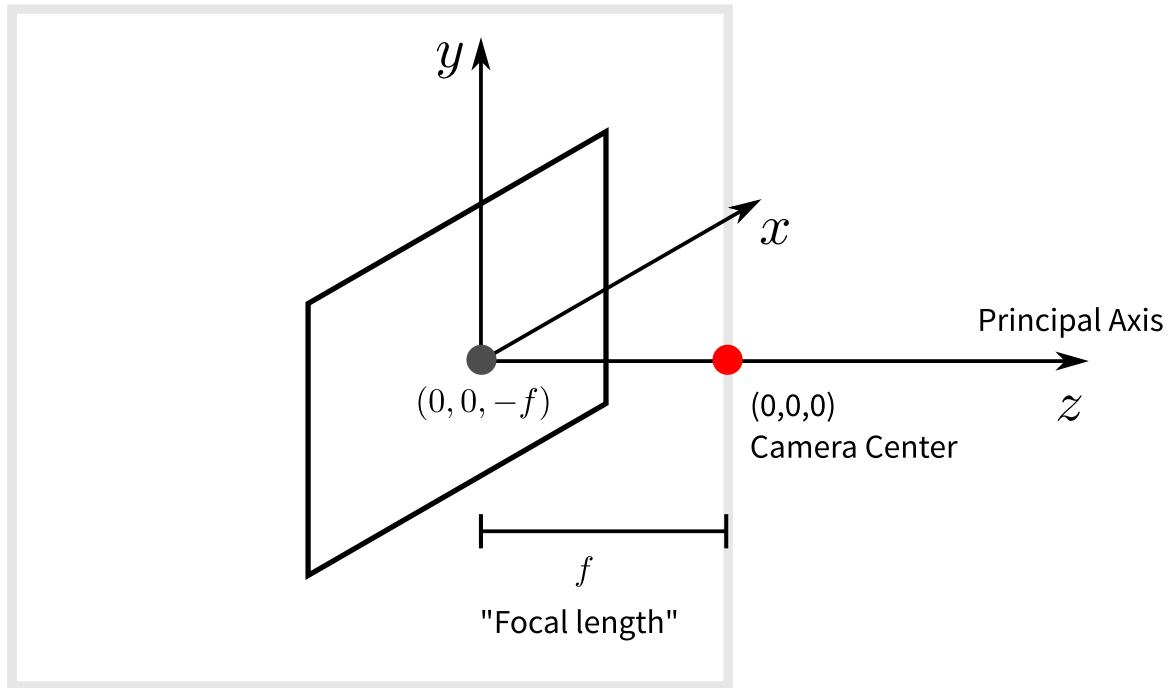
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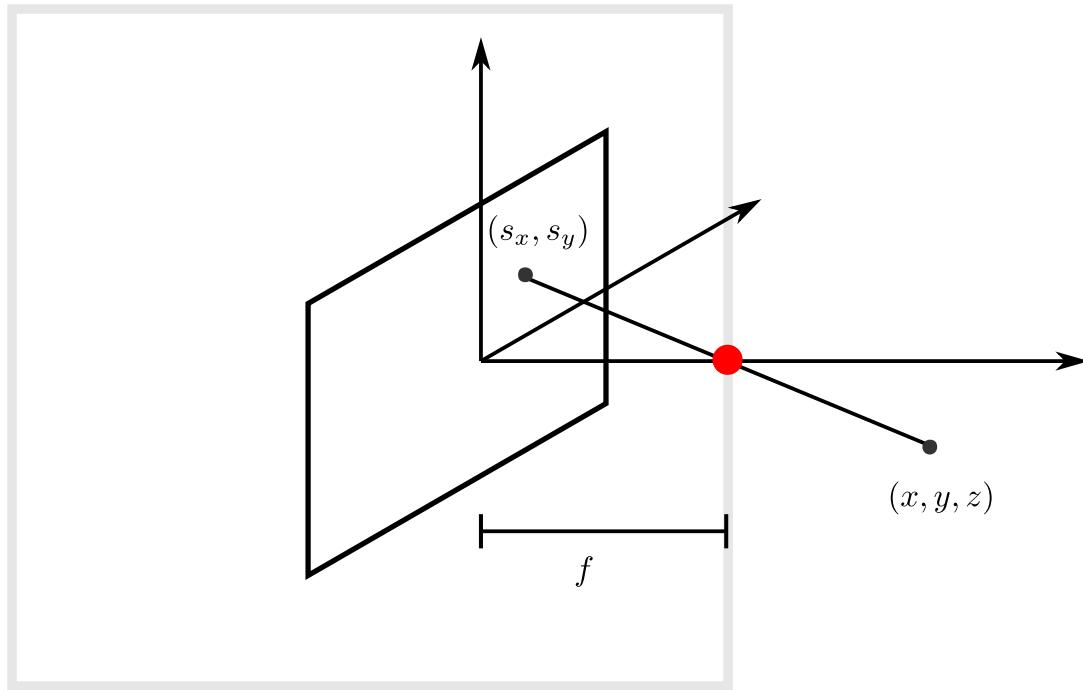
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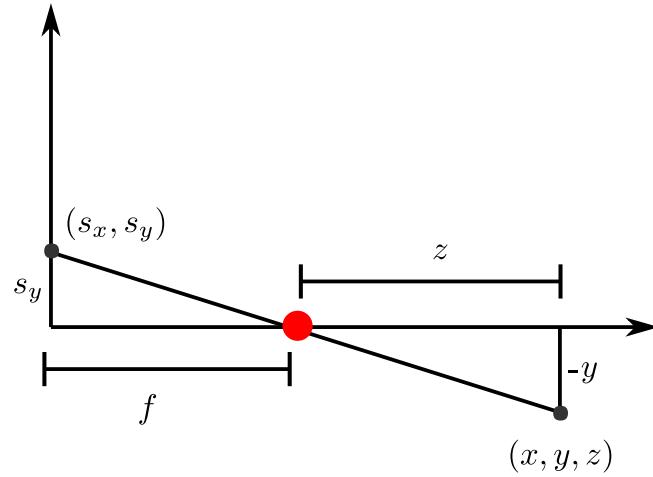
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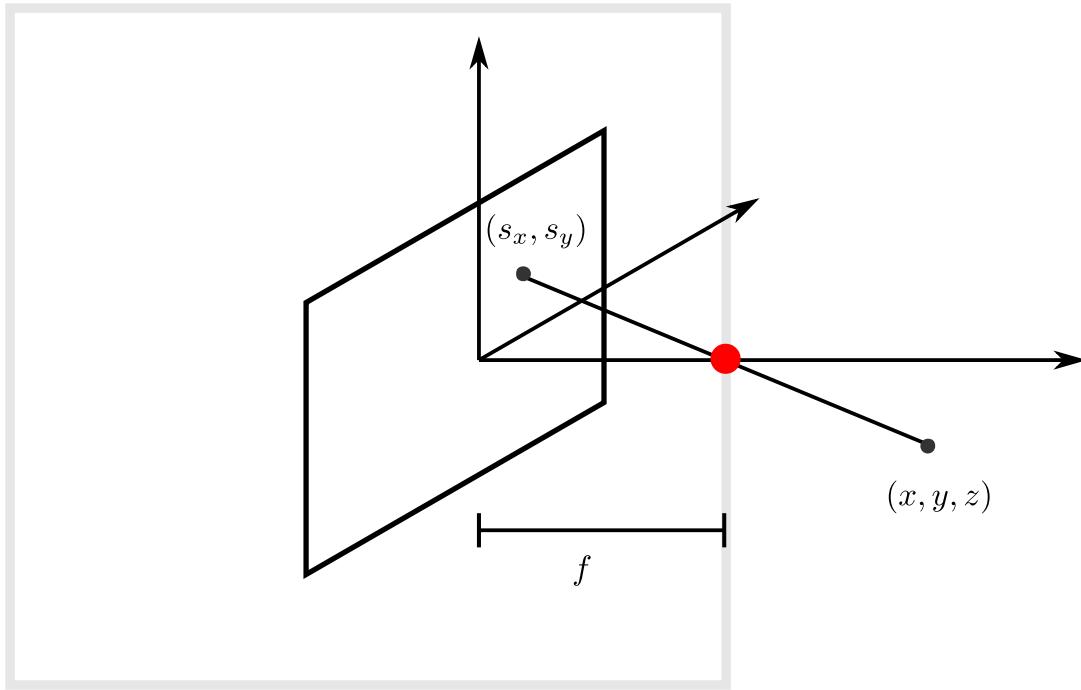
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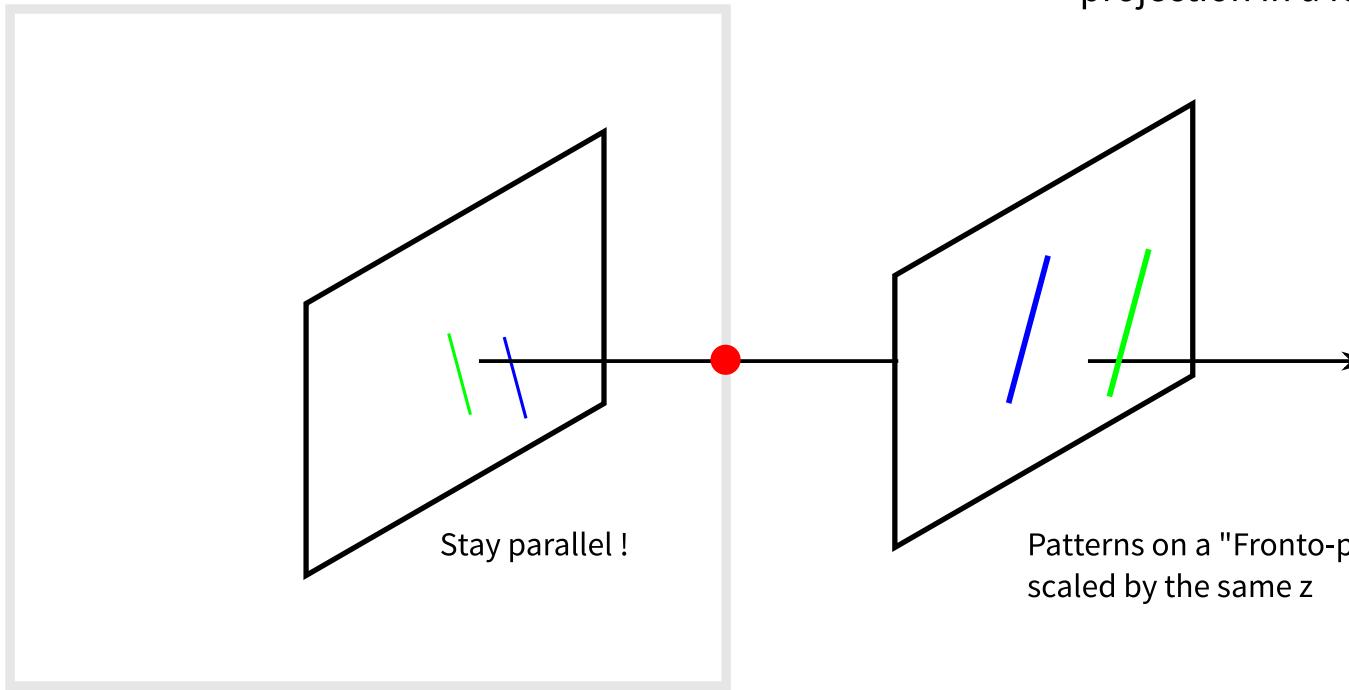
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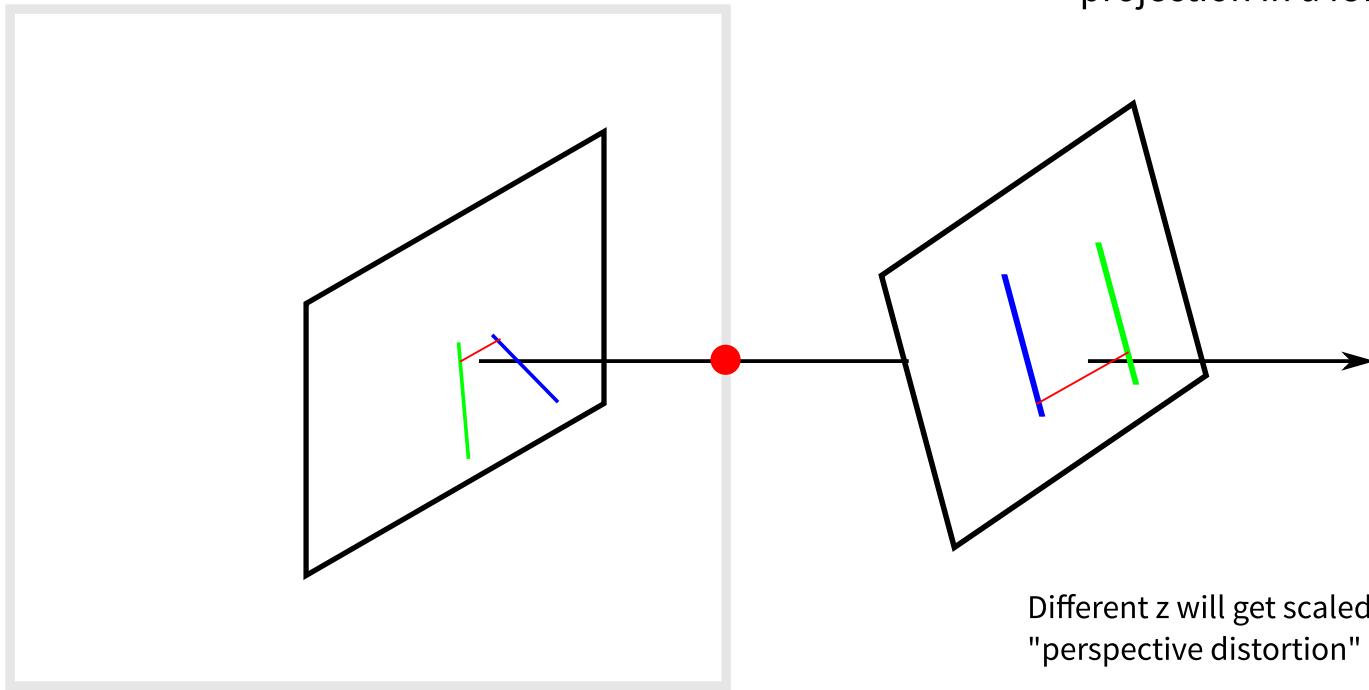


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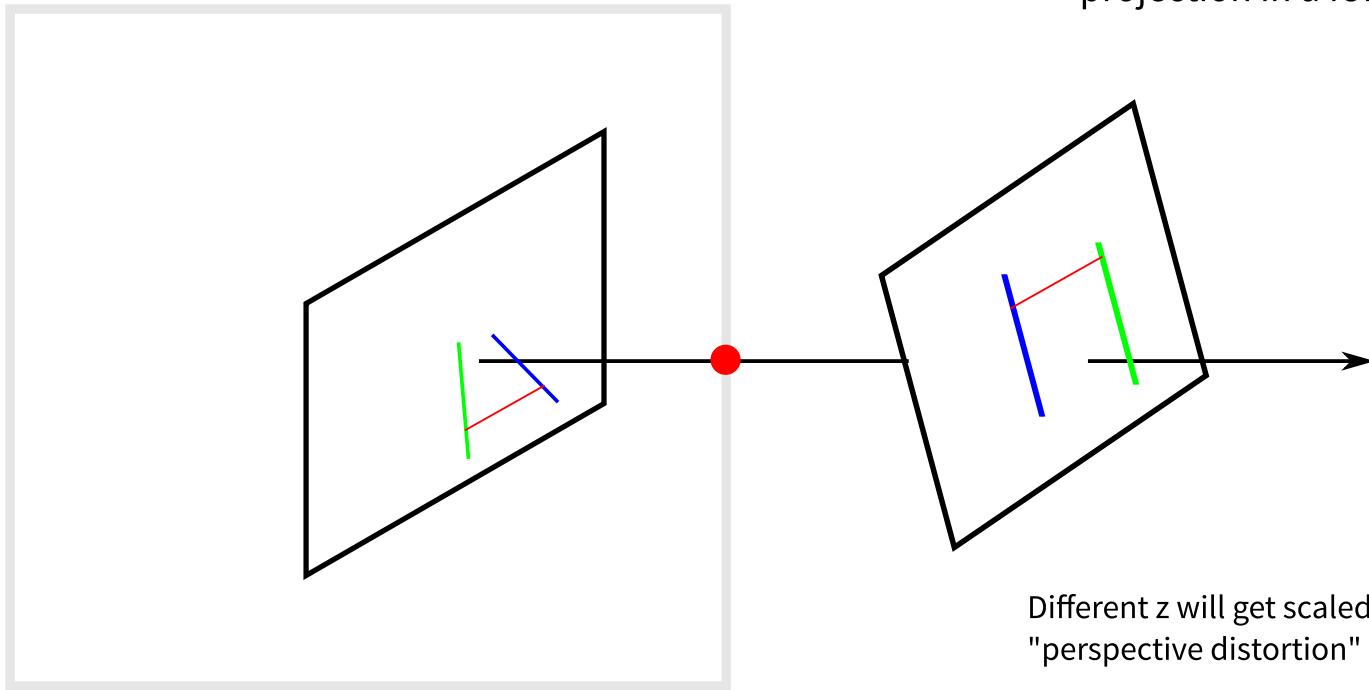
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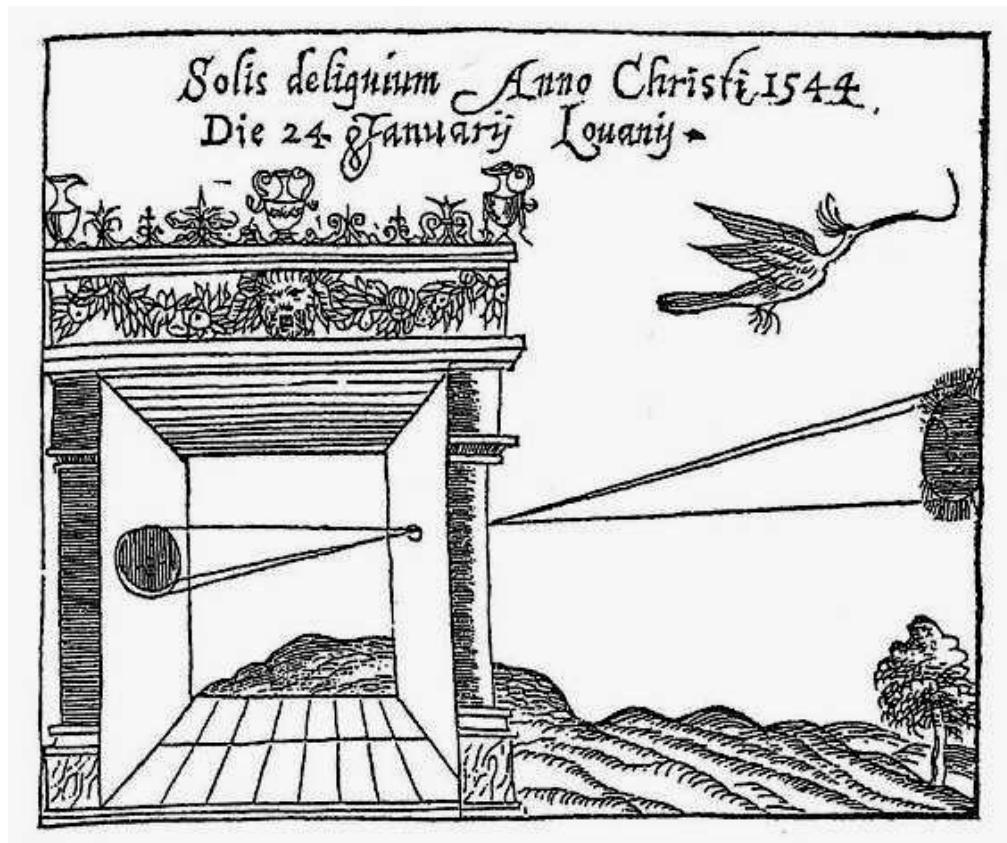
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Gemma Frisius 1558

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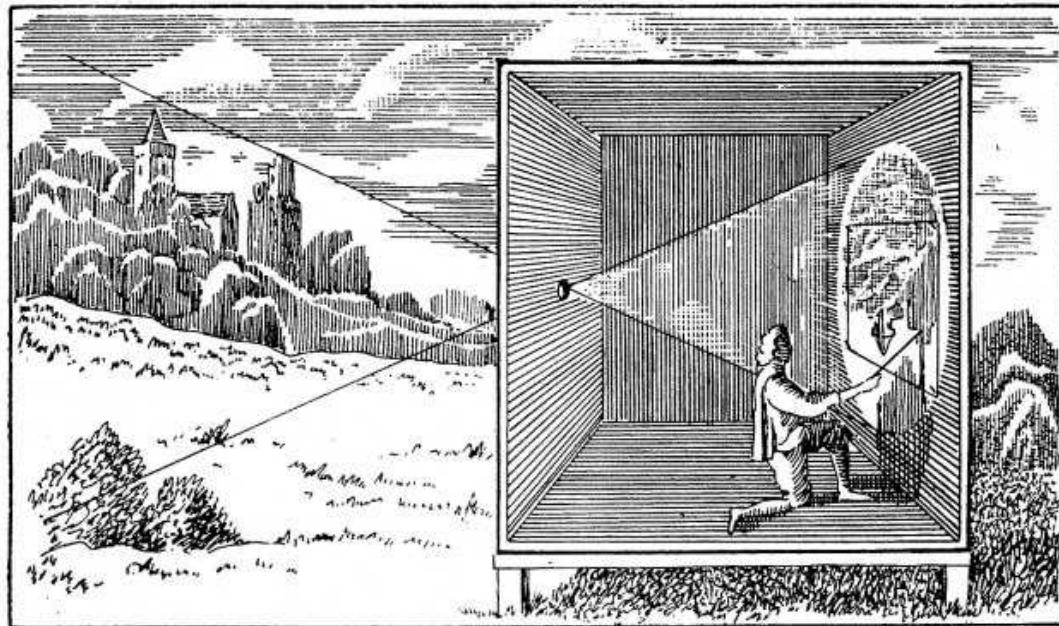


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Drawing aid for artists: described by Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519)

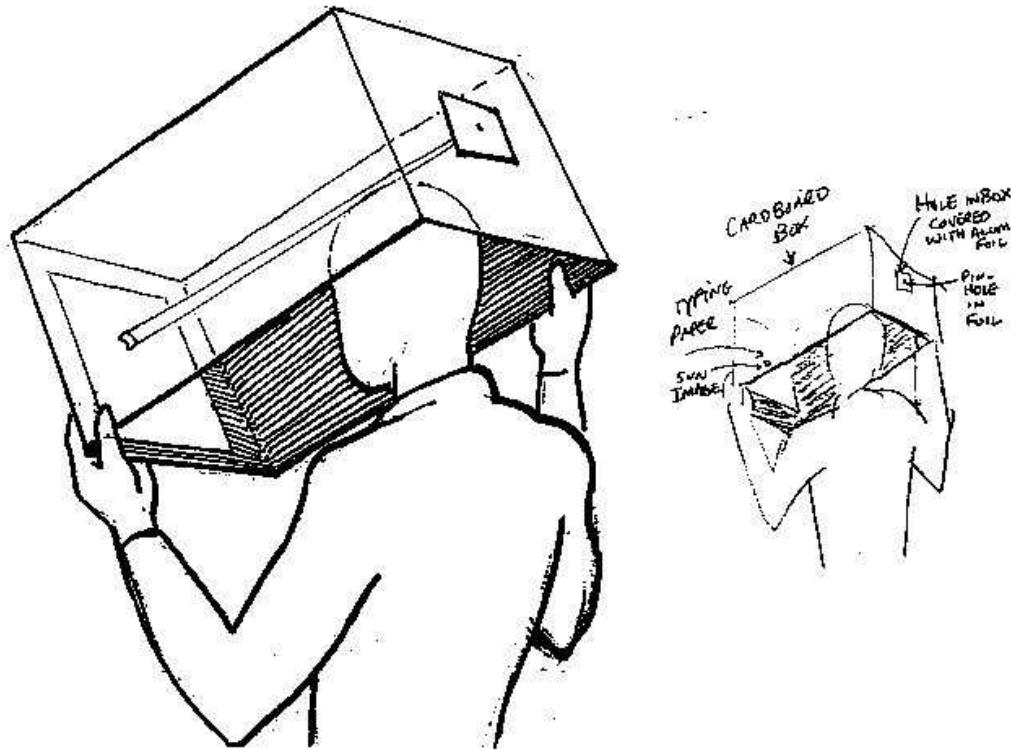
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## SAFE WAY TO VIEW ECLIPSE



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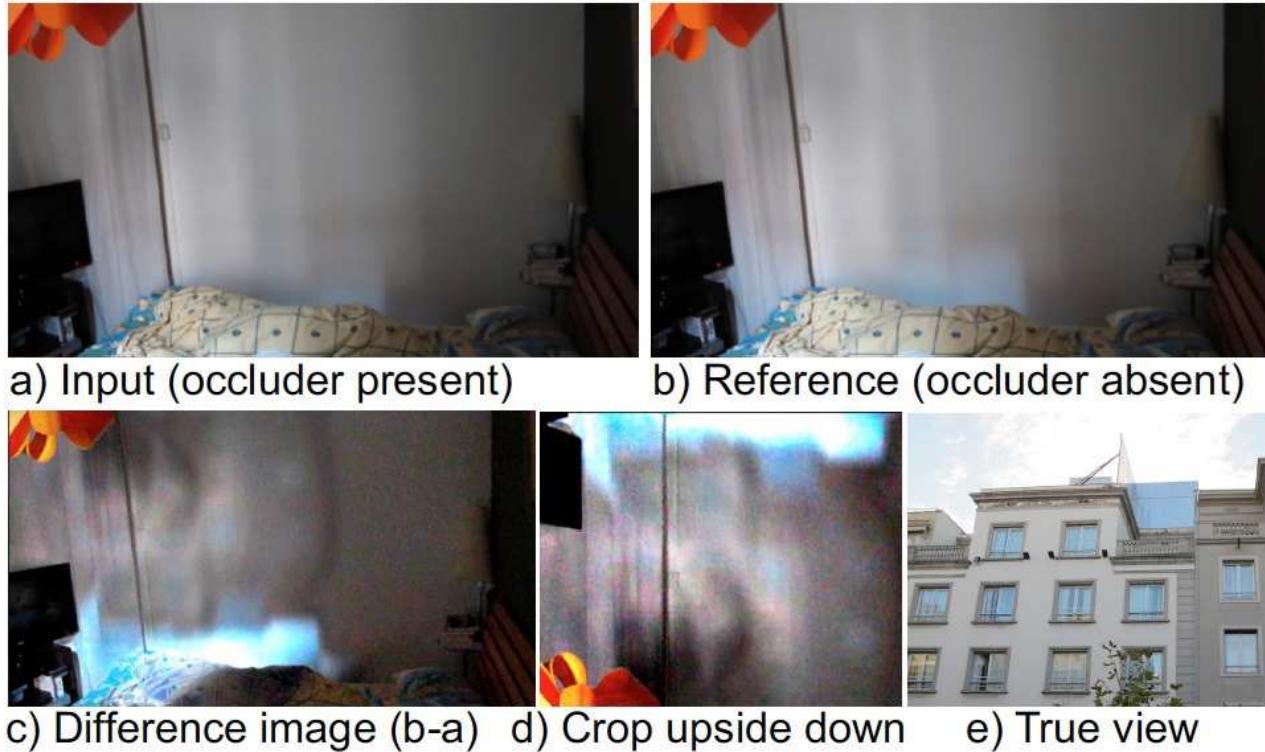
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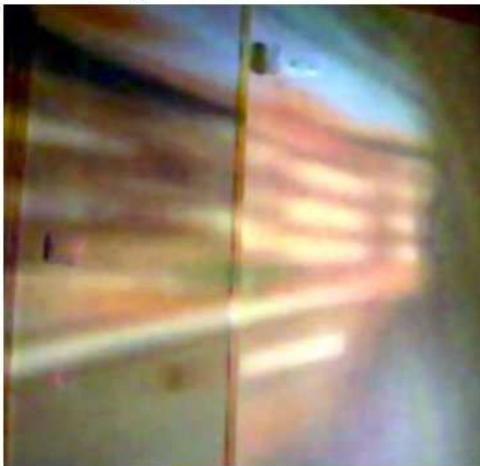
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Body as the occluder



Hand as the occluder



View outside the window



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